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IN RE: Workshop to Gather Information from the Telecommunications Industry Related to Preventing Violations of Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114

DATE: September 16, 2003

On August 4, 2003, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority convened the above-styled docket "to gather information and input from the telecommunications industry related to preventing violations of Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114."¹ Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114 provides:

(a) Any telephone call made between two (2) points in the same county in Tennessee shall be classified as toll-free and shall not be billed to any customer.

(b) This section shall apply to all companies or entities providing telephone service in this state as public utilities, including, but not limited to, telephone companies regulated by the Tennessee regulatory authority. However, this section does not apply to any telephone company which is prohibited by federal law from providing countywide service in a particular county.

(c) Nothing in this section is intended to modify or repeal the rate-making and telephone regulatory authority of the authority or the right of telephone companies to earn a fair rate of return.

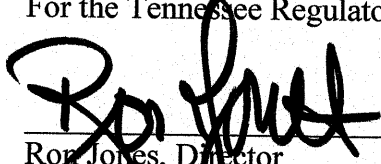
In order to develop a mechanism with industry's input for complying with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114, the Moderator directs all facilities-based providers and resellers of telecommunications services certificated in the State of Tennessee to respond to the inquiries below by no later than **Wednesday, October 1, 2003**.

- Describe the manner in which you are able to provide telecommunications service in compliance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114(a). If you do not currently take steps to ensure compliance with § 65-21-114(a), explain your reason for not doing so.

¹ In re: *Citizens Telecommunications Company of the Volunteer State Tariff to Clarify Language – Tariff Number 2003592*, Docket No. 03-00410, *Order Conditionally Approving Tariff and Initiating "Workshop" on Preventing Violations of Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114*, 3 (Sept. 5, 2003).

- Identify any technical, operational, administrative or other difficulties encountered when attempting to comply with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114(a).
- Provide a suggestion for how this workshop should proceed.

For the Tennessee Regulatory Authority:



Ron Jones, Director
Acting as Moderator

cc: Facilities-based providers and resellers of telecommunications services certificated in the State of Tennessee

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